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SUBJ: MASS GRAVE MEMORIAL AT PYSZNICA, POLAND

REF: (A) STATE 18084, (B) WARSAW 756

1. DEPUTY DIRECTOR MIECZKOWSKI OF MFA DEPARTMENT III TELEPHONED THE POLITICAL COUNSELOR FEBRUARY 27 WITH REFERENCE TO THE EMBASSY'S PREVIOUS REPRESENTATIONS CONCERNING THE PROJECTED MASS GRAVE MEMORIAL AT PYSZNICA. THE MINISTRY OF LOCAL ECONOMY, HE SAID, HAD NOW RESPONDED TO THE MFA'S RENEWED INQUIRY INTO THE MATTER. THAT MINISTRY, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES, HAD CONFIRMED THAT THE PROJECT WAS ACTIVE, WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE GENERAL PROGRAM OF MEMORIALIZING "POLISH VICTIMS OF NAZI ATROCITIES." IT WAS NOW HOPED, MIECZKOWSKI SAID, THAT THE MEMORIAL WOULD BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF 1978.

2. THE POLITICAL COUNSELOR EXPRESSED GRATIFICATION THAT MIECZKOWSKI'S INFORMATION WAS SOMEWHAT MORE ENCOURAGING AND AFFIRMATIVE THAN HAD BEEN FORECAST IN OUR CONVERSATION A MONTH AGO (REF B). HE RECALLED, HOWEVER, THAT THE PROJECT HAD EARLIER BEEN SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION BY THE END OF 1976 AND  
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HOPED WE WOULD NOT BE DISAPPOINTED AT THE END OF THIS YEAR AS WAS THE CASE TWO YEARS AGO.

3. MIECZKOWSKI SAID THE MFA SINCERELY REGRETTED THE LONG DELAY IN GETTING ON WITH THE MEMORIAL, AS WELL AS THE EXTENDED PERIOD DURING WHICH NO INFORMATION ON THE PROJECT HAD BEEN FORTHCOMING. HE

SAID THAT ACCORDING TO THE MINISTRY OF LOCAL ECONOMY,  
THE PYSZNICA PROJECT HAD PREVIOUSLY HAD ONLY A LOW  
PRIOROTY, BUT THIS WAS NO LONGER THE CASE. IN FACT,  
THE PROJECT NOW HAD A HIGH PRIORITY. THIS, MIECZKOWSKI  
SAID, PROVIDED GOOD GROUNDS FOR HOPING THE MEMORIAL  
WOULD BE FINISHED BY THE END OF THIS YEAR.  
HE HOPED WE WOULD SO INFORM THE INTERESTED PARTIES  
IN THE US.

4. COMMENT: WE ASSUME THE DEPARTMENT WILL DRAW ON  
THE ABOVE IN COMMUNICATING WITH REPRESENTATIVE HOLTZMAN.  
THE EMBASSY WILL DO SO, AS APPROPRIATE, IN WRITING  
DIRECTLY TO MR. KRANTZ, AS WE PROMISED TO DO WHEN WE HEARD  
ANYTHING CONCRETE FROM THE POLISH AUTHORITIES. END COMMENT.

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